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(Continued from last issue.)

What I am going to relate how I am going to write with something of pride and something of fear—paide that the "boya" should have covered themselves with so much glory, and fear that, perhaps, some one who does not know me well, or fear me much, may thinks and call me a Monchausen, but flat justitia runat coelum, which properly translated means "thou shalt not lie."

Yesterday evening after the morning rain, the san came out warm. The sweating earth responded with grateful incense to his penetrating beams, and the dark woods seemed to be clothed in garments of burnished gold.

The captain proposed that we make the drives between Cypress and Hand lake. We mounted and galloped to our stands. As usual early in the drive the dogs got up deer and ran far beyond the outmost guards and no one got a shot. At the foot of Cypress lake the captain blew the gathering signal. We answered the call and gathered around him. We then crossed the neck of the Hand lake, and in making the circuit of that extensive body of water we struck a scope of woods we had a ver seen before. We were lost, and for an honr we wandered, only seeming to get deeper and deeper into the unknown wool. It seemed if the wild beast sought a lair nere he might flad it, and unsought from year to year. But at last an opening appeared in the great forest like a rift in storm clouds, and struggled, and struggled in vain, to combat the desolation of nature. A cabin, its roof haif caved in, its walls natiburied in drift sand, its doors and windows battered down and gone, told in sad accents of the spirit of deep that now held sway over a spot where once, mayhap, age had sought shelter from intruding man within the recesses of its buried and broken walls. Back

sheiter and childhood prattled around a happy hearthstone. A liz and a weasel sought shelter from intruding man within the recesses of its buried and broken walls. Back of the old house, sweeping around it and holding it as within an are of a circle, was a little field of some tenacre, overgrown with weeds and low bushes, and back of this, in dark outflires, the tall cottonwood and stately cypress formed a background gloomy and impressive. On this seconded nook the sun shone with peculiar warmth and juster, and is seemed a spot where every denizen of the forest might come and let in peace and happiness.

The captain said he believed the field was full of deer, and told us to diamount, hitch our horses, it around and take stands, and he would drive the enclosure with the one dog he had. We spoke in whispers, for the thing had an uncanny look and crept around that field like murderous awages creeping upon a settlement in the night time. We made the circuit, leaving Bill Cravens in the center of the arc by a large dypress, and every man was ready for the deadly fear. The captain had scarcely entered the field when Swetheart opened and both barrels of his gun went off as a large doe got up, and thee, wonderful to relate, the whole field seemed to be alive with bounding deer, and as they sought shelter in the woods, the crescent bissed from point to point and the forest shook with the echolog guns. Mr. Parrish killed two bucks and wounded another. Burke killed two does and fired several shots at others, all does. Will Davis Garnett killed a large buck and missed another. Monroe shot two does; Peay slew two bucks, but the largest one of all, the very antiered monarch of the forest, arose, shook his haunty crest and sought exit by Bill Cravens at the eypress tree. Bill saw him coming and fired hastily and struck him with one shot in the brisket. The buck seemed to be astonished and then he became mad at the idea that Bill should be able to HOPKINSVILLE, - - - KY

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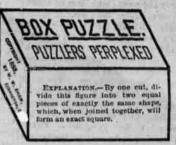
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